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**Subject:** RE: ExxonMobil - Baytown Olefins Plant - 8/4

Gary/TCEQ/Craig,

This e-mail contains a summary of the day's activities as requested.

The ICS structure at Baytown Olefins Plant has been stood down as of approximately 15:30 this afternoon as the site moves into a recovery mode of operations.

I would propose that this is the last status update that is provided to this distribution list unless anyone objects.

Daily Summary

- The site has completed perimeter and downwind air monitoring through the day. All results were non-detect.
  - As discussed with Tina Tran (TCEQ) at 15:43 this afternoon, we are no longer completing perimeter and downwind monitoring as of 16:00 on 8/4 as site flaring emissions are within authorized permitted levels (achieved earlier this afternoon)
- We continue to progress any remaining equipment through safe stable hold points or to a shutdown state
- Outfall 002:
  - No discharges since last update
  - Clarification sent that water to Outfall 002 conveyance system was overspray, non-contact with the process equipment impacted was sent yesterday afternoon. Proposing to stop the additional sampling and return to standard required permit samples for subsequent discharges.
    - Awaiting confirmation from TCEQ on this proposal

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Regards,  
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**Subject:** RE: ExxonMobil - Baytown Olefins Plant - 8/3

Gary/TCEQ/Craig,

This e-mail contains the requested summary of the day's activities as requested.

TCEQ contacts:

- Please advise on your expectations for continued fence line air monitoring.

- Please advise on your expectations for continued special sampling required for outfall 002 discharges

#### Daily Summary

- The site continues to complete perimeter and downwind air monitoring. All results today were non-detect
  - The 'all clear' was given to the community this morning
- Benzene levels on-site in the hot zone also continue to be below 0.5ppm, and are essentially zero at nearly all readings
- We had a successful night of de-inventorying achieving 100% of the planned equipment at a liquid free state.
- Plans for the next days are to continue to progress getting the other process units in the plant into safe stable hold points or to a shutdown state
- Outfall 002:
  - Opened 18:30 - Closed at 23:31 on 8/2
    - Summary of discharge times, volumes, and available analytical has been sent to this distribution list in the noon hour today
    - All sample results that we have been received to date are well within permit requirements (oil and grease and TOC), and essentially non-detect for all special samples.
  - Fire water is no longer being applied to the tower (since the afternoon of 8/2), and therefore no longer entering the onsite canal
  - With only routine water to the on-site canal, we are proposing to stop the additional sampling and return to standard required permit samples for subsequent discharges.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

A summary will be provided tomorrow after the end of day site debrief.

Regards,

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**Subject:** ExxonMobil - Baytown Olefins Plant - 8/2

Gary/TCEQ/Craig,

This e-mail contains the requested summary of the day's activities as requested.

- The site continues to complete perimeter and downwind air monitoring. All results today were non-detect
- No community air monitoring is being conducted by ExxonMobil as the fence line results continue to show no detection
- Benzene levels on-site in the hot zone also continue to drop and are now all below 0.5ppm
- We had a successful day with an estimated 80% of the planned equipment at a liquid free state.
  - Work priorities for the site continue to be de-inventorying the unit
  - Estimating to be liquid free in the planned equipment in the next 12-24 hours
- Outfall 002:
  - Closed at 23:25 on 8/1
  - Summary of discharge times, volumes, and available analytical has been sent to TCEQ
  - With the rain received Outfall 002 was just opened just past 6pm

- We will be taking the special analytical sampling as discussed with TCEQ on 7/31 as well as the discharge samples required in our TPDES Permit
- A summary of will be provided tomorrow with discharge timing, estimated volumes and any analytical received
- Fire water is no longer being applied to the tower, and therefore no longer entering the onsite canal
  - Limited fire water application occurred early in the day (less than an hour total application all day)
- With only routine water to the on-site canal, we are proposing to stop the additional sampling and return to standard required permit samples for subsequent discharges.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

A summary will be provided tomorrow after the end of day site debrief.

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